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[ ] NORTH VIETNAMESE AIR SUMMARY FOR 24/1700Z TO 25/1700Z

SEPTEMBER 1972

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(ALL TIMES ZULU) PART ONE, HIGHLIGHTS A. SUMMARY 1. NVN AIR/AIR DEFENSE REACTION TO U.S. AIR STRIKES OVER NVN, 25 SEPTEMBER. 2. NVN 284TH AAA REGIMENT REPORTS SHOOTDOWN OF AN F-4 AND DEATH OF ONE CREWMEMBER. 3. ADDITIONAL DELIVERY OF MIG-19 AIRCRAFT TO NVN FROM CHINA. 4. NVAF MI-6 FLIES FROM HANOI TO VINH AND RETURNS VIA PHUC YEN. 5. NVAF UNIDENTIFIED AIRCRAFT FLIES FROM [ ] TO HANOI. B. DETAILS 1. BETWEEN 1913 ON 24 SEPTEMBER AND 1305 ON 25 SEPTEMBER, NVN AIR SURVEILLANCE FACILITIES WERE NOTED TRACKING A MINIMUM OF 129 SHC-119 AIRCRAFT OVER NVN. THESE AIRCRAFT WERE ACTIVE IN THE AREAS OF MOC CHAU, HAIPHONG, THANH HOA, AND HANOI. THE AIRCRAFT WERE ALSO TRACKED DURING THEIR ENTRIES AND EXITS OF NVN AIR OVER LAOS AND THE GULF OF TONKIN. AT 2000, UNIDENTIFIED SAM SITES IN THE HAIPHONG AND NAM DINH AREAS ENTERED CONDITION ONE. AT 0259, AN UNIDENTIFIED SON TAY AREA SAM SITE ENTERED CONDITION ONE. AT 0650, AN UNIDENTIFIED SAM SITE IN THE HANOI AREA ENTERED CONDITION ONE. BETWEEN 2353 AND 0029, TW KEF-BASED MIG-17'S CONDUCTED A DEFENSIVE PATROL IN THE KEP AREA. 2. ON 24 SEPTEMBER, THE HEADQUARTERS (HIGHPOINT 88, 16-51N 106-57E) OF THE 284TH AAA REGIMENT REPORTED THE SHOOTDOWN OF AN F4 AIRCRAFT AND DEATH OF ONE CREWMEMBER. THE SPEAKER STATED, "THE 120TH AAA BATTALION (DONG LON, 16-47N 107-05E) AND TAN VINH, 16-46N 107-06E), SHOT DOWN ONE F4 AND CAPTURED ONE PILOT. THE OTHER PILOT WAS KILLED." (2/00 [ ] VCK/R156-72, 241000 SEP AND FOLLOW-UPS) 3. BETWEEN 0807 AND 0920 ON 25 SEPTEMBER, A MINIMUM OF 13 MIG-19 AIRCRAFT WERE DELIVERED FROM NANNING, CHINA TO NVN. NINE OF THE AIRCRAFT FLEW TO PHUC YEN AND FOUR TO YEN BAI. (2/00 [ ] VCA/R15-72, FORTHCOMING) 4. BETWEEN 0900 AND 1404, ONE MI-6 FLEW FROM HANOI TO VINH WHERE IT PICKED UP POSSIBLE MISSILE CARGO AND PASSENGERS. THE AIRCRAFT THEN FLEW TO PHUC YEN AND BACK TO HANOI. SUPPLIES AND PASSENGERS WERE NOTED ON EACH LEG OF THE FLIGHT. (2/00 [ ] VCA/R77-72 FORTHCOMING) 5. FROM 1057 TO 1222, ONE NVAF UNIDENTIFIED TYPE AIRCRAFT REG NR 995 FLEW FROM [ ] TO HANOI WITH 21 PASSENGERS. NO REASON WAS NOTED FOR THIS FLIGHT. ~~ISHTAR~~ PART TWO, ROUTIN ACTIVITY A. AIR ACTIVITY 1. STRIP ALERTS AT HANOI GIA LAM, TWO MIG-21 PILOTS WERE ON STRIP ALERT DURING THE 2100 HOURS AND ONE MIG-21 PILOT WAS ON STRIP ALERT DURING THE 1000 HOUR. BETWEEN 0001 AND 0800, FIVE MIG-21 PILOTS WERE ON STRIP ALERT AT PHUC YEN. 2. HANOI GIA LAM FIGHTERS TWO MIG-21 PILOTS CONDUCTED UNIDENTIFIED ACTIVITY BETWEEN 0835 AND 0904. FROM 1009 TO 1043, TWO MIG-21 PILOTS CONDUCTED UNIDENTIFIED ACTIVITY. ONE MIG-21 PILOT WAS NOTED IN AN AREA FAMILIARIZATION FLIGHT FROM

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1140 TO 1159. 3. KEP FIGHTERS FROM 2348 TO 0042 TWO MIG-17 PILOTS CONDUCTED UNIDENTIFIED ACTIVITY. ONE MIG-17 PILOT PERFORMED AN AREA FAMILIARIZATION FLIGHT BETWEEN 0038 AND 0109. TWO MIG-17 PILOTS PERFORMED AREA FAMILIARIZATION FLIGHTS FROM 0141 TO 0214. TWO MIG-17 PILOTS CONDUCTED UNIDENTIFIED ACTIVITY BETWEEN 0841 AND 0848. TWO MIG-17 PILOTS WERE NOTED IN UNIDENTIFIED ACTIVITY AT 0914 HOURS. FROM 0944 TO 1006 TWO MIG-17 PILOTS CONDUCTED UNIDENTIFIED ACTIVITY. XXIII 900 03651 HHHH

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